

(c) comprises an insert containing a nucleic acid sequence coding for a cytokine, [this] wherein said insert [being] is under [the] control of [a] an endogenous or heterologous promoter [present in or previously inserted into the above—mentioned genomic sequence.]; and wherein said adenovirus vector lacks the transactivators E1A and E1B and the E3 region of the adenovirus.

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- 3. (Amended) [Recombinant nucleic acid] The adenoviral vector according to claim 1, [characterized in that] wherein the genomic sequence of the adenovirus lacks its 5' end region downstream of the early promoter of the £1A region of the adenovirus, and [in that] wherein the nucleic acid sequence coding for the cytokine is placed under the control of this early promoter.
- 4. (Amended) [Recombinant nucleic acid] The adenoviral vector according to claim 1 [or claim 2], [characterized in that wherein the nucleic acid sequence coding for the cytokine is placed under the control of an adenovirus late promoter.
- 5. (Amended) [Recombinant nucleic acid] <u>The adenoviral vector</u> according to claim 1, [characterized in that] <u>wherein</u> the genomic sequence of the adenovirus [is provided with] <u>has heterologous</u> a promoter [foreign to the adenovirus genome,] and [in that the] <u>wherein said nucleic acid</u> sequence coding for the cytokine is placed under the control of [this] <u>said</u> [foreign] <u>heterologous</u> promoter.
- 6. (Amended) [Recombinant nucleic acid, characterized, either in that the] An adenoviral vector comprising a nucleic acid insert [contains] containing sequences coding for several cytokines, or [in that it contains] containing separate nucleic acid inserts coding for different cytokines wherein said nucleic acid inserts are placed, [respectively,] under the control of separate promoters[, which are also separate].
  - 7. (Amended) [Defective] <u>A defective</u> adenovirus, [characterized in that it contains] <u>comprising the</u> [recombinant nucleic acid] <u>sequence</u> according to [any one of claims 1 to 6] <u>claim</u> <u>1</u>.